

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 922
By Matheny

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Charles and Estelle Lacy on the celebration of their sixtieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on August 24, 1946, Charles Ralph Lacy and Estelle Marie Monks were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, after their wedding, the couple resided in Fayetteville, Tennessee, until 1950, when Mr. and Mrs. Lacy moved to Michigan to work for General Motors (GM); and

WHEREAS, the Lacys served with acumen and alacrity at GM, where they earned the respect of their peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of their work; and

WHEREAS, after three decades of commendable service, Estelle Lacy retired from General Motors in 1980, and in the following year, 1981, Charles Lacy also retired; in 2001, the couple returned to Manchester, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Lacys have always been the very epitome of good neighbors, as they have always endeavored to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, the Lacys love to travel, and Mrs. Lacy especially enjoys sewing and making quilts; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lacy is a 32nd degree Mason and has been a member of the Shriners for over thirty years; he has volunteered many hours of his time to driving the Shriner bus, transporting disabled children from Detroit to Chicago for treatment; and

WHEREAS, Charles and Estelle Lacy are born again Christians who faithfully support their local independent Baptist church; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced three children, each of whom has excelled in his or her particular field of endeavor; the Lacys' children are Judy Rayetta Perry, David Ralph Lacy, and Douglas Howard Lacy; and

WHEREAS, the Lacys are also the proud grandparents of four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, for sixty years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Lacys' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Charles and Estelle Lacy on the celebration of their sixtieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.